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Dora Hall to H A Hall, August 1896

Baxtley
Hay St West
Perth
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Dear Aubrey

I am quite ashamed of having so long delayed thanking thanking [sic] you for the pair of lovely pearl shells you so very kindly sent me. They are indeed quite lovely works of art and deservedly admired by all who see them.

Your Uncle & Aunt Hester came from the Blackwood and stayed with me over a fortnight, at the end of June. The weather was most unfavourable at times, and Perth is now quite a different place to what it used to be a few years ago, so that persons from the country have much to see quite new to them & rainy weather prevents ladies going about much. They had only left me a day or two when your cousins Mr George and Amy Warburton came after visiting Coolgardie. They stayed only about a week, I was sorry they could not stay longer as it was their first visit to Perth & there was not sufficient time to see it properly, for of course shopping and visiting friends takes up so much time. They spoke of coming up again about September when the weather would be less uncertain.

I am always very pleased to hear from you, but I am sorry to confess that being unaccustomed to writing like yours, I can not decipher all of it.

I forwarded your letter to my dear Leslie at once. By his desire I am forwarding to you by this mail, the rest of those Engravings "Round London" I think them very well worth having & the remarks about the different buildings, historical reminiscences &c are very interesting. Sometime ago I sent you some photos of Dublin which I hope you received.

I hope you continue to have good news from your Mother and sister, you must miss them very much I should think.

With kind remembrances to Eva and all friends whom I have met up here

Yours sincerely

D Hall